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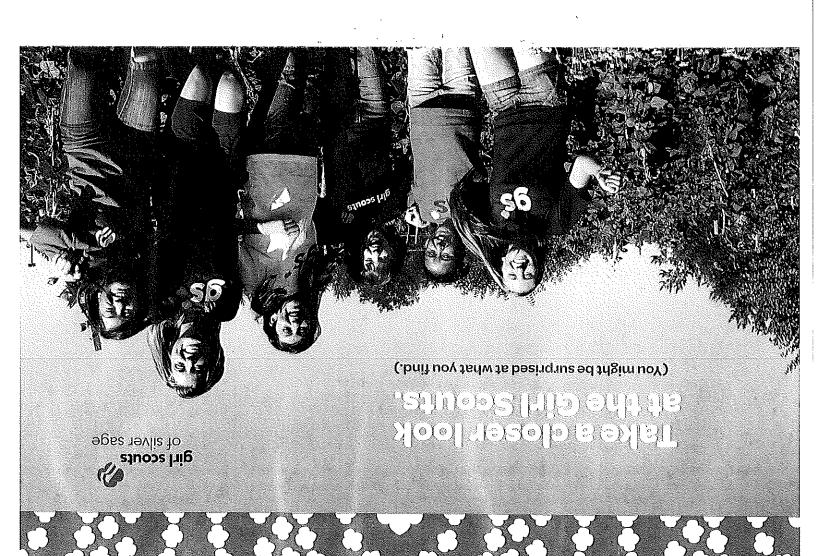
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**Girl Scouts of Silver Sage** serves more than 5,000 girls and 2,200 volunteers in Southern Idaho, Eastern Oregon, and parts of Northern Nevada.

Together with committed adult volunteers who partner with girls to guide and inspire their growth and achievement, we empower girls on their journey of discovery and leadership in a physically and emotionally safe, girl-led environment.

## Why Girl Scouts?

In Girl Scouting, girls **discover**, **connect**, and **take action** as they learn to become leaders. Girls in **kindergarten** through **12th grade** discover the fun,
friendship, and power of girls together. The entire Girl
Scout program—regardless of the exact topic—is centered
on leadership outcomes (or benefits) that stem from
these three keys. Girls develop strong leadership skills
while learning the importance of personal responsibility,
the value of goal-setting, the spirit of teamwork, and the
thrill of accomplishment.

#### Proof is in the Numbers.

More than 50 million American women enjoyed Girl Scouting during their childhood—and many successful women today—credit Girl Scouts with their professional success. In fact, 82% of Girl Scout alumnae say that Girl Scouts played a positive role in their development.

#### Here are some other facts:

- 81% of Girl Scouts are more likely to attend college than non-Girl Scouts.
- More than 53% of women business owners are former Girl Scouts.
- Nearly 70% of women in U.S. Congress today were former Girl Scouts.
- Former Girl Scouts have flown on at least 40 of the first
   114 NASA space shuttle missions.



Girl Scouts of Silver Sage members, Mercedes and Desiree.



## Who Can Join Girl Scouts?

Any girl (in kindergarten through 12th grade) and any responsible adult (female or male) looking to make a difference in a girl's life can join Girl Scouts. When working directly with girls on a regular basis, volunteers must complete a volunteer application, pass a criminal background check, and provide references.

There Are
Many Ways for
Girls and Adults
to Get Involved with
Girl Scouts!



Girl Scout, **Hanna**, discovers and connects with global communities.

## Girl Scouts offers endless ways for both girls and adults to turn an average day into a memorable one!

Girl Scouts is about sharing the fun, friendship, and power of girls and women together. Girls benefit from positive adult volunteers who serve as valuable mentors, and adults benefit from knowing their dedication is **building tomorrow's leaders today.** 





**Girls at Every Grade Level.** All program activities are grade-appropriate and based on the Girl Scout Leadership Experience, as well as on the Girl Scout Promise and Law. After girls join, they team up in the following grade levels:

- Girl Scout **Daisy**: grades K-1
- Girl Scout **Brownie**: grades 2-3
- Girl Scout **Junior**: grades 4-5
- Girl Scout Cadette: grades 6-8
- Girl Scout Senior: grades 9-10
- Girl Scout Ambassador: grades 11-12

#### Research shows that a girl's leadership blooms when she's:

- · Among other girls, away from school pressures, social cliques, and boys.
- In a place where she can be herself.
- In a place where activities are girl-led.
- In an environment where each girl learns by doing, and the learning is cooperative, not competitive.
- Among adults who mentor girls and model skills, behaviors, and relationships, and careers girls can emulate.

Girls can choose to participate in Girl Scouting through many pathways, including camp, events, series, troop, or travel—all within a single membership year. Girl Scouts offers a wealth of programs and activities to help girls of all ages learn new skills. Some of the exciting activities girls are experiencing in Girl Scouts include:

- · Providing food for shelters.
- Taking action on local and global justice issues.
- Traveling to and exploring foreign countries.
- · Experiencing unique activities, such as scuba diving and snowboarding.
- Creating memories that will last a lifetime!

**Explore the possibilities!** Contact your local office to learn how to get started in Girl Scouting.



Girl Scout volunteers are a diverse group—ranging from college students working on community action projects, to parent volunteers ready for an outdoor adventure with their daughter's troop, to retired individuals looking for something meaningful.

Below are areas where you can make a difference at Girl Scouts—from working directly with girls to working only with adults.



## Working with Girls

Do you love the positive energy you feel when you're surrounded by enthusiastic girls? Below are a few volunteer opportunities where you'll engage directly with girls.

**Troop Leaders**: New leaders receive a "Quickstart Guide" filled with everything you need to know to get started with a new Girl Scout troop.

**Girl Pathways Program Teams**: **Do you love to organize activities?** You would fit well in a role with one of our Girl Pathways program teams. In this role, you'll design and organize activities for short-term girl programs, such as community service projects, art projects, self-esteem workshops, college prep seminars, or travel adventures. You can bring an idea for a new program that we can develop together. Or, you can help with behind-the-scenes tasks that make these girl programs happen.

**Visions Volunteer**: **Do you enjoy seeing girls embrace newfound self-confidence?** As a Visions volunteer, you'll work with 4th and 5th grade girls for 45 minutes each week using Girl Scouts' targeted curriculum to improve girls' self-esteem.

**Troop Helper**: Are you most comfortable in a support role, such as bringing snacks to a meeting, leading an exercise, or transporting girls? You would thrive as a Troop Helper.



## Working with Adults

**Do you prefer working directly with other adults?** We have many volunteer opportunities where your involvement will be focused only with other adults.

**Service Unit Teams:** A Service Unit is a group of adult volunteers that function as a team in order to provide Girl Scout activities in the local community. Service Units help Girl Scout Troop Leaders organize, recruit, plan, and deliver Girl Scout programs.

**Visions Volunteer Goordinator:** In this role, you'll work directly with local schools to help bring Girl Scout curriculum to 4th and 5th grade girls. In this curriculum, girls learn about making positive and healthy decisions, problem solving, and communication.



# Working with Your Local Girl Scout Office

#### Do you have a professional skill you would like to share?

Staff at your local Girl Scout office always appreciates volunteers willing to help with a variety of tasks such as fundraising, research, grant writing, mailing preparation, media events, graphic design, video editing, event planning, and donor recognition.

